

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel Claims 1 and 2 without prejudice and with right of re-entry into this application or any other appropriate application. Kindly add new Claims 3, 4 and 5 as follows.

1(cancelled).

2(cancelled).

3. A method of making a meat food product, comprising:

- (a) placing in a grinder/miser a mixture comprising the following ingredients
 - (I) 55% to 75% by weight uncooked meat,
 - (ii) 10% to 20% by weight dried fruit,
 - (iii) 10% to 20% by weight nuts and/or seeds, and
 - (iv) 5% flavorings and preservatives;
- (b) mixing and grinding the mixture of ingredients;
- (c) aging the ground and mixed mixture for about 8 hours;
- (d) forming the aged mixture into articles having desired shapes; and
- (e) smoking and cooking the formed articles to an internal temperature of 175 degrees F.

4. A smoked and cooked meat product comprising, by weight, prior to smoking and cooking:

- (a) 55% to 75% by weight uncooked meat;

- (b) 10% to 20% by weight dried fruit;
- (c) 10% to 20% by weight nuts and/or seeds; and
- (d) 5% flavorings and preservatives.

5. A smoked and cooked meat product consisting essentially of, by weight, prior to smoking and cooking:

- (a) 55% to 75% by weight uncooked meat;
- (b) 10% to 20% by weight dried fruit;
- (c) 10% to 20% by weight nuts and/or seeds; and
- (d) 5% flavorings and preservatives.